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SUBJECT: CIVAIR BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS

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FROM USDEL

1. UPON OPENING RESUMED NEGOTIATIONS HERE ON JUNE 18, CHAIRMAN OF MEXDEL RECALLED POINT REACHED IN MAY IN WASHINGTON SUBSTANTIALLY ALONG LINES PARA 2 REFTEL (WAS NOTICEABLE THAT HE OMITTED SUBPARA N). HE INVITED USDEL COMMENT.

2. CHAIRMAN USDEL AGREED WITH RESUME. HOWEVER, RECALLED THAT, AT VERY OPENING THESE NEGOTIATIONS IN MARCH IN MEXICO, MEX CHAIRMAN HAD EXPRESSED BELIEF THAT BOTH SIDES HAD SEVERAL ROUTES NOT YET IMPLEMENTED, MEX CARRIERS UNDER MANDATE TO IMPROVE DOMESTIC SERVICE, AND, ACCORDINGLY, APPEARED DESIRABLE CONTEMPLATE EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT WITHOUT ADDITION OF NEW ROUTES. HE ADMITTED THAT USDEL, NEVERTHELESS, HAD PRESSED FOR CONSIDERATION OF SOME NEW ROUTES. IN TALKS IN MEXICO AND LATER IN WASHINGTON, THE PROPOSALS OF NEW ROUTES HAD PROLIFERATED TO POINT WHERE WE HAD COME TO THE CONCLUSION THAT MEX CHAIRMAN MAY HAVE HAD THE RIGHT IDEA AT THE VERY BEGINNING. ACCORDINGLY,
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SAID THAT ON INSTRUCTIONS HIS GOVERNMENT PROPOSED EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT WITHOUT ANY NEW ROUTES. WE WOULD BE DISPOSED TO EXTEND AGREEMENT FOR FIVE YEARS, SUBJECT TO AUTOMATIC RENEWAL OF ADDITIONAL FIVE YEARS IF SATISFACTORY TO BOTH SIDES ALONG LINES DRAFTING WHICH HAD BEEN AGREED UPON IN WASHINGTON SESSION. PROPOSED ALSO MODIFYING SIDE LETTER ALONG LINES AGREED IN WASHINGTON. FINALLY PROPOSED MODEST "HOUSEKEEPING" OF DROPPING US ROUTE L AND MEXICAN ROUTE Q. FORMER BECAUSE NO LONGER SERVED BY US CARRIER AND NO INDICATION OF ANY INTEREST IN SERVING, AND LATTER BECAUSE NOT SERVED BY MEXICAN CARRIER FOR REASONS WELL KNOWN TO BOTH SIDES AND UNLIKELY PROBLEM WOULD BE RESOLVED IN FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

3. MEXICAN CHAIRMAN RUEFULLY OBSERVED USDEL WAS NOW AGREEING WITH HIS ORIGINAL POSITION WHILE IN COURSE OF TALKS HE HAD COME TO AGREE WITH USDEL PROPOSAL ON ROUTES. HE PROPOSED RECESS UNTIL AFTERNOON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, EXPLAINING LONG DELAY DUE TO NEED TO CONSULT HIS MINISTER WHO OUT OF THE COUNTRY.

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